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Dear Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 CFR.

§ 1.56 in connection with the above-identified application, which statement is being
filed:

- ☒ [X] Together with the present application.
- ☐ [] Before the first Office Action on the merits or three (3) months from the filing date of this application, whichever occurs last. [37 CFR § 1.97(b)]

- ☐ After the first Office Action on the merits, but before a Final Office Action under §1.113 or Notice of Allowance under §1.311, whichever occurs first. **[37 CFR § 1.97(c)]**. (Either the fee or certification is provided, as set forth below)
- ☐ After a Final Office Action under §1.113 or Notice of Allowance under §1.311, but prior to or with payment of the Issue Fee. **[37 CFR § 1.97(d)]**. The fee and certification are provided, as set forth below).

Consistent with Applicant's obligations pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.97 and 1.98, the following requirements have been met:

- ☒ No separate requirements are needed.
- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ **Fee Under 37 CFR § 1.97(c) or 1.97(d)**

The fee of \$180.00 for submission of an IDS under § 1.97(c) as set forth in § 1.17(p) accompanies this statement.

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The undersigned certifies:

- ☐ 1 that each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement; or
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Provision of Copies of References

- ☒ [X] A copy of each of the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 is enclosed herewith and forms a part hereof.
- ☐ [] A translation of Reference__ is enclosed herewith and forms a part hereof.
- ☐ [] A copy of the European Search Report from a corresponding or related EPO application is enclosed herewith.
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Identification of Prior Application(s) In Which Listed Information Was Already Cited And For Which No Copies Are Submitted Or Need Be Submitted

- ☐ [] This application relies, under 35 U.S.C. § 120, on the earlier filing date of prior U.S. Application No(s). , filed . The following references were submitted to, and/or cited by, the Office in the prior application(s) and therefore are not required to be provided in this application:
- ☒ [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 04-1679. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is attached.

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	Q	Reinhart et al., Engineered Materials Handbook, 1987, Vol. 1: pp 27-37, "Introduction to Composites" and pp 479-495, "Joints".

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